



Tennessee Greenways and Trails Forum

July 16-18, 2019

Pickwick Landing State Park 120 Playground Loop Counce, TN 38326

The 2019 Tennessee Greenways and Trails Forum is a three-day education workshop and networking conference, designed for parks and recreation professionals, planners and city and county officials. This year's theme is "Communities Build Trails, Trails Build Communities". Forum sessions will highlight the impact of improving health, promoting economic development and tourism, providing alternative transportation opportunities, and connecting people with nature along greenways, blueways, and trails in communities. Enjoy multiple networking opportunities to interact with program sponsors and participants. Lunch and dinner are included in your registration. Register on-site for a 4 hr. trail building workshop, 1 hr. guided pontoon boat tour, or canoe/kayak trip (\$5 fee for canoe or kayak).

REGISTRATION is \$99. Register on-line at tnstateparks.com/events before Tuesday, July 16. Checks only will be accepted if registering at the Forum.

LODGING is available at Pickwick Landing State Park Inn \$90.00 (excluding tax per night). To secure this rate, contact Pickwick Landing Inn 800-250-8615 by June 13, 2019 and request the Greenways and Trails Forum room block using group code #7147

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Tuesday, July 16

1:30-2:45 pm

At Grade and Grade Separated Crossing - Gain insight into safety and cost considerations when designing greenway crossings of roadways. Lee Davidson and Bram Barth of Lose Design.

Trail Amenities and Interpretive Planning - Identify, select and understand site amenities for the trail corridor including signage, site furniture and safety information. John Lavender and Josh Gulick of Lose Design

2:45-3:15 pm

Break

3:15-4:30 am

UPCYCLING: Reclaiming the Fabric of Our Communities for Trails - How repurposing space can be a catalyst for redevelopment, renewal, increased tourism, and to reconnect your community to its best assets. Kimberly Williams of Equinox and Kevin Guenther of Ragan-Smith Associates, Inc.

5:30-7:00 pm

Dinner Conference Room B

7:00-9:00 pm

Networking Social

Wednesday, July 17

8:30-9:45 am

Supporting Parks and Trails: Healthy Development Coordinators, Built Environment Grants and Built Environment Resources from the TN Department of Health - Understand the two built environment grant programs offered for TN communities, the role of Coordinators and how to engage them in your work. Panel led by Leslie Meehan Director Office of Primary Prevention TN Department of Health

9:45-10:30 am

Break

10:30-11:45 am

Tennessee RiverLine: A vision for North America's next great regional trail system - Insight to the project's origin, progress, trajectory, and roles for multi-partner networks, community leaders and residents, and creative disciplines in regional trail development.

Brad Collett, Associate Professor at UT Knoxville School of Landscape Architecture.

11:45 am – 1:15 pm

Lunch

1:15-2:30 pm

From Planning to Implementation: How Trails Connect Communities – Recognizing the benefits of regional connectivity, one project highlighting the importance of planning and another showcasing great design and implementation. Alisha Eley and Michael Shelton of Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

2:30-3:00 pm

Break

3:00-4:15 pm

Seniors Trail Blaze 10 miles of Trails with \$300 to start – Creative trail building solutions
Simon Bradbury, Director of Recreation Tellico Village.

4:15-5:00 pm Round Table Discussion

Trail Surfaces: The ground that brings us to experiences

Discussion will focus on different trail surfaces and the basics of building trails using each surface type.
Michael Meister, Trails and Vista Administrator Tennessee State Parks

Community Engagement and Asset Development – Discussion will focus on how outdoor recreation intersects with other sectors like transportation, education, public health, tourism and conservation including efforts underway in Northeast Tennessee to build a more resilient outdoor recreation economy.

Kayla Carter NETREP Outdoor Development Manager

Designating Bicycle Routes: TDOT is on a Roll - Gain insight into TDOT's bicycle route development initiative and share ideas while the initiative is still under development.

Whitney S. Mason, TDOT Active Transportation Coordinator

5:30-7:00 pm

Dinner Conference Room B

7:00-9:00 pm

Networking Social



Thursday, July 18

Field Workshops & Activities

On-site registration only; Sign-up when you check in at registration

8:30 am – 12:30 pm

Flexible Porous Pavement Hands on Installation (Sponsored by Porous Pave) - Learn how flexible porous pavement made from recycled tires can be used as trail surfacing. The ins and outs of the surfaces capabilities will be discussed as well as information about planning and installation for your own projects. See and walk on flexible porous pavement that has been already been installed and help install a few hundred square feet of the surfacing on site during the workshop. Porous Pave staff will be on hand to answer questions. The session will be lead by Michael Meister, a Certified Flexible Porous Pavement Installer. (limit 20 participants)

8:30-10:30 am

Water Trail (Blueway) Design and Planning - Paddle the Pickwick Lake impoundment of the TN River. This two hour paddling trip includes an overview of trail design, site selection, permitting, codes, citizen engagement, partnerships, and blueway resources. The session is led by Jane Polansky, Greenways, Blueways and Trails Coordinator. (limit 16 participants)

8:30 & 9:30 am

Relax and enjoy the views and information shared about the history of Pickwick Landing State Park, Pickwick Lake, Pickwick Dam, and area wildlife on this one hour guided Pontoon Boat Tour. Pickwick Landing State Park Staff (limit 10 participants per trip)

For more information contact Jane Polansky at Jane.polansky@tn.gov or 615-456-3843

